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1. ON APRIL 3 EMBOFF PASSED SUBSTANCE OF REFTEL TO KAZAKOV OF HYDROMET, WHO RESPONDED THAT PRESS OF BUSINESS CAUSED BY CREATION OF NEW STATE COMMITTEE FOR HYDROLOGY AND CONTROL OF NATURAL ENVIRONMENT WOULD PROBABLY MAKE IT IMPOSSIBLE FOR YURIY IZRAEL' TO VISIT THE US FOR THE ENVIRONMENTAL AGREEMENT MID-YEAR REVIEW. THEREFORE, KAZAKOV STATED THAT SOVIETS WOULD LIKE TO INVITE EPA ADMINISTRATOR DOUGLAS COSTLE TO VISIT THE USSR FOR THE MID-YEAR REVIEW. KAZAKOV NOTED THAT IF IT IS IMPOSSIBLE FOR COSTLE TO ACCEPT THIS INVITATION SOVIETS WOULD SUGGEST THAT DEPUTY ADMINISTRATOR BARBARA BLUM LEAD US DELEGATION TO THE USSR. SOVIETS WOULD PLAN A SHORT TOUR OUTSIDE MOSCOW FOR THE US DELEGATION AFTER THE TALKS. KAZAKOV NOTED THAT IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE FOR IZRAEL' TO PARTICIPATE BRIEFLY IN THE TALKS IN MOSCOW. KAZAKOV ADDED THAT A FORMAL LETTER FRDM IZRAEL' TO COSTLE WILL BE READY SHORTLY.

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2. COMMENT: IF US DELEGATION COMES TO USSR FOR MID-YEAR REVIEW TALKS, WE WOULD REQUEST THAT IT BE SCHEDULED TO AVOID CONFLICT WITH THE S&T JCM, WHICH WILL BE HELD JULY 14-17. WE ALSO RECOMMEND THAT US REQUEST POST REVIEW VISIT TO LEADING SOVIET ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL FACILITIES OF SIGNIFICANT INTEREST TO THE US. TOON

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